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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 25, 2006, please enter the following amendments and remarks. A petition to extend time for three months, from October 25, 2006, to January 25, 2007, is filed herewith. A formal sequence listing and a Rule 132 declaration are also filed concurrently.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.